

THE INVENTION CLAIMED IS:

1. A tool box adapted to be positioned onto a joist or beam comprising:

front and rear end walls attached to right and left side walls;

a tiered passageway extending between said front and rear end walls;

said tiered passageway including an upper passageway tier having a first width, said upper passageway tier having right and left first tier side walls extending between said front and rear box end walls, said right and left first tier side walls each having an upper edge and a lower edge, and a ceiling extending between the upper edges of said right and left first tier side walls, said ceiling having an inner surface and an outer surface;

said tiered passageway including a middle passageway tier having a second width, said middle passageway tier having right and left middle tier side walls extending between said front and rear box end walls, said right and left middle tier side walls each having an upper edge and a lower edge, and middle tier right and left ledge portions extending between the upper edges of said right and left middle tier side walls and the lower edges of said right and left first tier side walls, respectively;

said tiered passageway including a lower passageway tier having a third width, said lower passageway tier having right and left lower tier side walls extending between said front and rear box end walls, said right and left lower tier side walls each having an upper edge and a lower edge, and lower tier right and left ledge portions extending between the upper edges of said right and left lower tier side walls and the lower edges of said right and left middle tier side walls, respectively;

a right floor portion extending between the bottom edge of said right side wall and the bottom edge of said right wall of said lower passageway tier;

a left floor portion extending between the bottom edge of said left side wall and the bottom edge of said left wall of said lower passageway tier; and

handle means.

2. The tool box of claim 1 wherein said right and left box side walls slope outwardly from their lower edges to their upper edges.

3. The tool box of claim 1 wherein said handle means is attached to a central portion of said outer surface of said ceiling.

4. The tool box of claim 1 wherein said first width is adapted to snugly receive the upper portion of a joist having a nominal width of two inches, said second width is adapted to snugly receive the upper portion of a joist having a nominal width of three inches, and said third width is adapted to snugly receive the upper portion of a beam having a nominal width of four inches.